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1. During the summer of 1953 Josef Haselgruber set up his rolling mill plant at St. Andrae near Korneuburg. His object was twofold. First, to provide the Alpine Montangesellschaft with light steel sections which they do not produce themselves. Second, to process scrap steel, provided by the Central Administration of the USIA, into steel plate and sections which are exported to East Germany and Hungary.
2. In August 1953, 4,000 tons of plate and 4,000 tons of rods and sections were exported to East Germany. Deliveries were also made of steel rods and girders for the Hungarian building industry in lots varying from 2,000 to 3,000 tons.
3. The Plant contains one modern hot air cupola furnace for processing the scrap, one section rolling mill and one cold steel plate rolling mill. The Plant however, possesses no laboratory and the products are of very poor quality and are delivered without guarantee. The capacity of the Plant is 3,500 to 4,000 tons per month and 400 workers are employed.

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